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Applicant : Tetsuji SHONO

Group Art Unit: 2615

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Examiner: Gevell Selby

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For : DIGITAL CAMERA HAVING A TILTING/SWITCHING MECHANISM

REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Sir:

In response to the Official Action of November 19, 2003, in which a three-month shortened statutory period for response was set to expire on February 19, 2004, and which has been extended to expire on April 19, 2004, Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and withdrawal of each of the outstanding rejections set forth in the above-mentioned Official Action together with consideration and allowance of all the claims pending herein, in due course.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.